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Sir:

PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2)

Applicants hereby petition that U.S. Serial No. 09/404,076, in which the issue fee was paid on May 7, 2004, be withdrawn from issue under 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2) in consideration of a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, annexed hereto as Exhibit A. The RCE is being filed so that (a) claims inadvertently canceled may be considered by the Patent Office, and (b) an inadvertent omission in the allowed claim can be corrected.

The required petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h) is

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ONE HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS (\$130.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$130.00 petition fee, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if an additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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